GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
LOK SABHA

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BHOPAL GAS VICTIMS
KANTILAL BHURIA

Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India and the Government of MadhyaPradesh are to bear 75 per cent and 25 per cent respectively for the schemes being implemented for the victims of Bhopal Gas Tragedy;

(b) whether the Government of India would also provide 75 per cent for the recurring expenditure;

(c) if so, whether the funds being made available to the Government of Madhya Pradesh for the rehabilitation schemes being implemented for the gas victims are as per the said agreement; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) to (d): Earlier, the Central Government had approved a five year Action Plan for the Medical, Social, Economic and Environmental rehabilitation of Bhopal Gas victims with a total outlay of Rs.163.10 crore which wasincreased in stages to an outlay of Rs.258 crore. This outlay was to be shared between the Government of India and the State Government ofMadhya Pradesh in the ratio of 75:25. The Central Government has alreadyreleased its entire share of Rs.193.50 crore. The State Government has beeninformed that the funds required by them for continuously running of rehabilitation programmes as envisaged in the Action Plan should be provided as a part of the State Plan in consultation with the Planning Commission. xxxxx